

Saturday, January 11th, by Robert P. Coleburn, at Accomac C. H., valuable personal property.

Tuesday, January 14th, by James F. Ward, administrator, near Keller, valuable property of C. C. Mears, deceased.

Thursday, January 16th, by administrator, at Keller Station, valuable personal property of Edward Kilmon, deceased.

Saturday, January 18th, by E. E. Corbett, trustee, on Tangier, real estate of Lewis H. Crockett and wife.

LOCAL NEWS.

Rev. E. E. Harrell, of Oak Grove, and Rev. Mr. Smith, of Wachapreague, will exchange pulpits next Sunday.

Dr. Frank Fletcher is in Richmond, this week, as a member of the Good Roads Convention, now in session in that city.

The cornstack of Mr. A. J. Lilliston was broken open by thieves on Tuesday night and about a barrel of corn appropriated by them.

A very valuable farm is offered for sale in this issue at a very low figure by Mr. F. H. Dryden, real estate agent, Pocomoke City.

The County court, which was convened on the 30th ult., will end perhaps to-day. The most of the time has been taken up in the trial of oyster cases.

Mr. B. W. Mears has been appointed postmaster at Keller, vice E. D. Young resigned, and J. M. Bloom at Mappsville, vice S. J. Byrd resigned.

Mr. Jno. W. Coard suffered another stroke of paralysis at his home near Accomac C. H., last Thursday, and is at this writing in a very precarious condition.

Mr. G. F. Watson and wife, of Coney Island, are visiting relatives and friends near Accomac C. H. Mr. Watson is a native of this county, but has not resided here for the last ten years.

Capt. Geo. W. Murphy, commanding the oyster police boat Tangier, will, it is stated, tender his resignation in a few days. Four persons so far have made known their willingness to be his successor.

The gasoline steamer Bertie E. Tull is now owned, it is stated, by parties in Pocomoke City and Cape Charles, and will run between Snow Hill and Baltimore via Onancock and other landings on the Eastern Shore.

Carr Merrill, convicted at the present term of the court for malicious shooting with intent to maim William Fisher, gets a term of ten years in the penitentiary. Both of the parties are colored men from Maryland.

Special attention is invited to the advertisement of Frank M. Baker & Co., Baltimore, and it is enough to say that Mr. W. E. Doughty represents the firm. With such a combination the patronage of our merchants is assured.

Rev. Geo. H. Ray, presiding elder for the Eastern Shore district for a number of years, has been appointed Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Virginia, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rev. Geo. W. Dame.

There will be a grand rally of the Rosebud Society at the Oak Grove Church on Sunday the 19th inst. Mr. L. J. Hyslop will give his views on that day of what he saw at a school of the Rosebuds a few weeks ago at Monterey, Mexico.

The excellent brands of fertilizers, manufactured by Messrs. L. E. P. Dennis & Son, Crisfield, Md., are again offered to the farmers of the Eastern Shore through our columns. Testimonials of those who have tried them will appear in later issues.

Robert P. Coleburn, for several years an attaché of the ENTERPRISE office, leaves for Norfolk next week, his future home, and George B. Borm foreman for several years of the Eastern Shore Herald is now filling the position vacated by him.

One of the firm of Harmanson & Sturgis, dentists, will visit Parkley, Monday, January 13th, and remain a day or so for the practice of their profession. Parties who want their services are requested to make engagements beforehand with them.

F. A. Shield, the well-known salesman of the old and reliable gunnery firm of Sharpless & Carpenter, puts before the farmers this week a pamphlet of testimonials from the best of our farmers that merits the attention of all our people engaged in the farming industry.

At a citizens' mass meeting held at Eastville last Friday night it was decided to apply to the Legislature for a charter to incorporate that town, with Mr. R. W. Nottingham as Mayor, and Messrs. R. V. Nottingham, Rob Nottingham, Harry R. Nottingham, N. L. Holland, and J. A. Jarvis as councilmen. The above gentlemen are intelligent and good business men and will no doubt endeavor to advance the interests of the town.—Headlight, 8th.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Mr. Miles Tull, of Westover, Md., has been spending a few days in Parkley.

Mr. Claude Tull, of New Church, is working at Parkley as night agent.

Capt. Wm. R. Lewis, crippled by ill of late, is improving and his recovery now seems to be assured.

Mrs. Jeannette Dix, of Baltimore, is visiting her children and friends at Parkley and vicinity.

George D. Twiford, died of pneumonia, at his home at Justiceville, last Monday, aged 55 years.

Mr. Tyson Reader, of Dover, Delaware, after a welcome visit of several days in this vicinity, has returned.

Mr. George R. West, who was reported to be in a critical condition in your last issue, is very much improved and expects to be out soon.

Miss Bessie Lewis, of Onancock, is visiting friends in Parkley. She always receives a welcome here, and besides at this time adds another one to our skating crowd.

There is a great demand for skates in this town, our merchants having difficulty in supplying the demand, the sport being indulged in by male and female, old and young.

All of the schools of this vicinity have opened with a good attendance, and Parkley is the only one in the district that has not a comfortable school building. It is to be hoped, that our trustees will take pity on our shivering school children.

Mr. H. E. Van Deman, of this town, is engaged in delivering lectures to Farmers' Institutes in Delaware. It is suggested, that our county and State, should secure his services on the same line, as he is a high authority on horticulture, and many other things of great use to farmers.

Onancock

Prof. G. G. Joyner's New Year present—fine boy.

Mr. T. J. Powell and wife will make their home in Baltimore.

The dramatic company, now playing in the town hall, is very popular here.

Mr. A. J. Reamy attended the ministers' conference this week at Modestown.

Sergeant Riley had splendid order about town during the Xmas. He is a good officer.

Mr. O. R. Nelson, who spent Xmas week with his parents, has returned to his business in New York.

Steamer Pocomoke could not get up the river Wednesday on account of low tides and laid over at Onancock.

Mrs. Julia A. Northam, left for Philadelphia on Wednesday, to spend the winter with her daughter residing there.

Mr. J. C. Justis, formerly of Hunting Creek, and Mr. Everett Belote, formerly of Northampton county, have moved to Onancock to live.

Dr. E. W. Robertson performed a very skillful surgical operation on Mr. W. T. Bundick, of this place, Tuesday. Mr. Bundick is doing well.

Mr. T. A. Joyner, of this place, has been made assistant general manager of the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway Co. This is very gratifying to the many friends of Mr. Joyner on this Peninsula. He has served nearly 20 years in the work and is in every way worthy and qualified for the place.

Onley

Mrs. Sadie Hill has opened a private school at this place.

Mr. A. J. McMath made a business trip to Richmond this week.

Mr. J. T. Hill has returned from a visit to his parents at Girdletree, Md.

Our town has been a favorite resort for drummers in the past few days—and still they come.

The new dwelling, recently completed near this place by Mr. E. A. Ames, was occupied by his family this week.

Mr. Robert Dryden, of Pocomoke, was at this place last Tuesday, in the interest of a fertilizer firm, represented by him.

A cornstack at sawmill of Hopkins, Waples & Co., was broken open by thieves last Saturday night and a lot of corn taken therefrom by them.

A turkey, weighing when dressed, about 15 pounds, was purchased by Mr. John L. Ward a few days ago and put in his dairy for safe keeping. He has not seen it since. It was appropriated by a thief that night.

Greenbackville

Mr. E. Colona and Mr. Lafayette Baker, of Parkley, spent last Sunday in our town.

Rev. Mr. Stone, of Parkley, paid our town a visit a few days ago. It is rumored he was on a hunting trip.

Our public school, under the able management of Miss Kate Nelson as principal, opened last Monday with a good attendance.

Our young people are sorry to lose the company of Miss May Powell, who will spend the winter in Baltimore and Philadelphia with her relatives.

Our oyster planters have had the most of their beds surveyed and recorded, and the rest will as soon as the weather gets mild enough for D. F. White, our surveyor, to work.

Some few of our oyster planters are clamoring for the privilege of dredging their oyster beds, and want the law so amended, but the majority don't think it will work well, as the temptation to dredge them where they are thickest will create trouble.

Pocomoke.

Virginia Almanacs for sale by S. W. Ames & Co., at 10 cents each.

Miss Alice Brown, of Elizabeth, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. E. B. Martin.

Peter Mason, a farmer of this section, killed a porker a few days ago which weighed 640 pounds.

Miss Edith Oldham, the guest of Miss Jennie Ames for a few days past, has returned to her home at Accomac, N. H.

Walter C. Ames and John Hoffman, home for the holidays, have returned to their studies at Baltimore Dental College.

Mrs. John T. Shrieves, a first class shoemaker, has opened a shop here and is cordially welcomed by our citizens.

Our citizens for the most part of late have been engaged in "harvesting" ice. It is of fine quality—about 34 inches thick.

The Sunday school entertainment at our M. E. Church, South, on the last day of the year surpassed any effort in that line in the history of the town. The decorations were superb and the recitations by the children grand in all respects.

Messrs. John H. Harmanson and Charles H. Ames, old residents of the town, now of Baltimore, took in the pleasures of rabbit hunting and other sports at their old home during the holidays. They have since been in pursuit of other game—orders from the merchants.

Several new scholars matriculated at our academy at the beginning of the year—a part of them from the upper part of the county. Our efficient corps of teachers is attracting the attention of parents in different sections of the county and their merits deserve recognition from every part of it.

Mr. Levin Belote, of Keller, and Miss Kate Shrieves, daughter of John T. Shrieves, gave the town a surprise Tuesday night the last day of the year. They attended the entertainment of the M. E. Church, South, took the midnight train for Maryland and were married, returning on Thursday to the groom's residence where a big reception was held.

Wachapreague.

Rev. J. W. Elliott, of Locustmount, is quite sick.

Mrs. Charles Burton has a severe case of "Grippe."

Mr. John Drummond, of this town, and Miss Ella D. Bradford, of Grangeville, were married January 8th.

Mrs. E. J. Foote went to Trenton, N. J., to accompany her daughter home. Miss Clara, who has been under medical treatment for several months, is very much improved in health.

At the regular meeting of the Missionary and Parsonage societies, January 7th, officers were elected and other business transacted. Next meeting will be held at Mrs. J. W. Johnson's, February 4th.

Misses Clara Hume and Bessie Downing returned to Blackstone, Va. G. B. Savage to Eastville; Senator George W. LeCato and son, Bernard, to Richmond, after spending their Christmas holidays at home.

Church Notes.

Rev. H. S. Dalany left last Monday for Wilmington to spend ten or twelve days, assisting Rev. J. D. C. Hanna of Union M. E. Church, in revival meetings.

Rev. J. Frank Ayres has been engaged to fill the pulpits of Onancock and Ayres M. E. Churches next Sabbath, 12th inst.

Rev. E. J. Winder will preach at Leatherbury's M. E. Church next Sabbath afternoon, (D. V.) 12th inst., 3 o'clock.

Missionary services at Hollies next Sunday at 3 o'clock, and at Harborton at 7:30 that night. If the weather is not fair, these services will be held the first fair Sunday.

Next Sunday the 13th inst., Rev. F. T. Tagg, D. D., editor of the Methodist Protestant, will preach at Leemont at 10:30 a. m.—Grant Memorial Church at 2:30 p. m., and at Hunting Creek at 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Baptist Ministers' Disapproval.

The Baptist ministers' of Accomac Association, in conference at Modest town, Tuesday, January 7th, passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That we do express our disapproval of an existing custom found on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, namely: that of couples being married on the public highways seated in carriages. We believe that the said custom detracts from the solemnity and the sacredness of the holy and divine law. Signed by each minister present:

A. J. REAMY,
J. L. KING, Secretary,
J. M. DUNAWAY,
W. W. WOOD,
M. P. SAMPSON,
CHARLES CLEMENTS.

E. S. Agr. Association—Meeting of Stockholders.

The stockholders of the Eastern Shore Agricultural Association are requested to meet at Grange Hall on the Fair Grounds, Thursday, the 23rd day of January, 1896, at 1 o'clock for the purpose of electing a board of five directors to serve for the ensuing year. J. W. KELLAM, President.

Arrivals at Shield's Hotel, Exmore, this week: B. Simonds, J. W. Muse, J. Funk, Baltimore; Emory Pitts, Philadelphia; John Sherman, Hampton, Va.; J. Lee Winder, Northampton; William Smith, Fred Apple, Capt. George Doughty, J. R. Downing, W. B. Joyner and John T. Ward, Accomac.

THE OYSTER INDUSTRY.

A Board of Fish Commissioners Recommended to Control It.

A meeting of citizens, interested in the oyster industry, was held at Cape Charles last Monday. The attendance was large and in the number was Senator LeCato and Delegates Matthews and Smith.

Capt. O. A. Browne was elected chairman and Capt. Geo. G. Savage secretary.

The object of the meeting is fully explained by the following preamble and resolutions offered by Captain Browne and unanimously adopted:

"Whereas for the past forty years erroneous ideas from time to time have been promulgated concerning the oyster industry of this State, expensive navies have been created, abolished, sacrificed and re-established for revenue and protection, which has been ineffectual; legislation has been confusing and detrimental to it; surveys of public and private oyster beds have been made and not permanently marked; the leasing of oyster grounds to planters is frivolous and insufficient; the present law is partial in placing its burdens, by requiring tax of the oyster planters to support a navy to guard the natural oyster beds, which are practically free to tongue; therefore, in order that business may be properly understood throughout the State, that the oyster may be put on a practical, economical footing, that the surveys may be suitably marked, that the leasing of the oyster grounds may be properly done, that the law may be equal and just in dealing with every interest.

"Resolved, By the oystermen assembled at Cape Charles, on the 6th day of January, 1896, to respectfully recommend to the Legislature that it create a board of fish commissioners for the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries, composed of five persons, to be elected by the Legislature, three of whom shall reside in the salt water section of the State and two shall reside above salt water; that the board of fish commissioners shall have the largest powers conferred upon it to deal with the oyster industry compatible with the laws of the State and general government; that the members of the board of fish commissioners shall be paid their expenses of travel and board when on duty, but no other compensation; that the board of fish commissioners be authorized to employ a secretary at a salary of \$1,200 per year; that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Senator and representatives of this county in the Legislature, to be placed before their respective bodies for their consideration and action."

Deaths.

Mrs. Catherine P. W. Poulson, one of the most widely known and highly respected ladies on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, died early Saturday morning at her home, near Onancock, in the 83d year of her age. During the past few years she had been rather feeble, and at times had severe attacks, but for the last few days her health had been unusually good, and when she retired Saturday night she appeared to be very bright and cheerful. Shortly after midnight she was attacked with her old trouble, and before a physician could be summoned she was dead. She was the widow of Hon. Robert J. Poulson, who before the war had represented Accomac in both branches of the General Assembly. She was a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church, and many of the famous ministers of that denomination made pilgrimages to the Eastern Shore to share her hospitality and enjoy the pleasure of her society.

Mrs. Francis Winder, mother of Rev. E. J. Winder, died at the home of her son in Onancock, on Friday, 3rd inst., aged about 70 years. She was highly esteemed for her many christian virtues. She had been for many years an active member and worker in M. E. Church.

Mrs. Margaret Bundick, a very estimable lady, wife of Elijah Bundick, died at Locustville, last Tuesday, of heart disease, aged about 55 years.

William Mears died of cancer at his home on Onancock creek, last Tuesday, aged 50 years.

She Had Waited on Washington.

Millie Tunnel, colored, died on Sunday, at her home, in Jamaica, L. I., from old age. She is said to have been one hundred and eleven years old and was the oldest resident on Long Island. Up to a few years ago she could thread a needle as well as any one. About a year ago she began to decline. She had lost the sight of one eye and had also become deaf. She had lived in Jamaica for sixty years. The woman was a slave, and got her name, Tunnel from her owner, Henry Tunnel, a wealthy planter of Accomac county, Va. The woman used to tell about how she waited on General Washington when he visited the estate of her mother. She was married while a slave, and Martha, her oldest daughter, had been keeping her in Jamaica.

When Tunnel died, a few years before the war, he set all his slaves at liberty. Mrs. Tunnel and her family lived in the South for awhile, but, coming North, settled in Jamaica.—Balto. Sun.

Child Banned to Bed.

A child of Mr. Floyd Trader, a boy three years old, living in Calhoun Neck, this county, fell into the fire during the absence of his mother from the house and was burned to death. When the mother returned to the house, two little sisters of the boy were standing over him and pouring water upon his lifeless body.

I offer for rent for year 1896, my house and lot where Capt. Edward J. Corbin now resides. Possession given January 1st, 1896.

J. Frank Evans, Harborton, Va.

Key stone and Jr. Fertilizer Distributor also Planet Jr. implements, for sale by F. A. SHIELD, Exmore Va.

Big bargains in everything at A. H. G. Mears, Wachapreague, and eggs, taken in trade, at 25 cents per dozen, turkeys 10 cents per pound, chickens and geese at 8 cents per pound, corn at 50 cents per bushel.

When you want the best of anything in the tobacco line or in fine cigars order from F. A. Davis & Co., the leading tobacco jobbers of Baltimore, Md., or wait for their salesman, Frank W. Byrd, one of the oldest knights of the road. Frank always tries to please and be of benefit to his customers.

NOTICE—Save Money—and buy your tombstones and monuments of W. F. R. Cropper, Chincoteague Va. Agent for Davis & Bro., Laurel Del.

FOR SALE—My house and lot at Tangier, Va. Lot consists of 1 acre more or less. House constructed for store, dwelling and physician's office. For terms address L. Floyd Neek, at Accomac, Va., or the undersigned, J. F. Newman, Tangier, Va.

FOR RENT OR SALE—My house and lot near Harborton. E. P. Evans.

Letters From the People.

MR. EDITOR:—

In the 11th Psalm and 9 verse, I read, "Holy and reverend is His name." Here the Psalmist is speaking of Jehovah. This is the only place in the Bible where the word reverend is found, and there it is applied to God. The primary meaning of the word is venerable; deserving awe and respect. The religious abroad are called reverend fathers; and abbesses, priors, and nuns, are called reverend mothers. We are told that the title is used by all ecclesiastics in this country as a title of respect. In reply let me say all gentlemen respect gentlemen, and those who are not gentlemen should be compelled by gentlemen to respect them. In my ordination to the gospel ministry, June 29, 1889, I was supposed to receive with the ordination the title of reverend. This was to carry with it respect. Before that time all gentlemen respected me, and I was pretty certain to see that those who were not gentlemen did. I can say the same to-day.

For two years it has been a question in my mind as to the propriety of using such a title. Recently I have carefully studied the subject. On January 7, 1896, I dropped forever the reverend from my name. I now ask my friends through your paper not to address me as Reverend. I repudiate it. My preference is Pastor. I may be addressed as Pastor, Elder, Mr., or

J. MAXING DUNAWAY.

MR. EDITOR:—

Please allow me through your columns to tender my sincere and heartfelt gratitude and high appreciation of the many recent kind acts and expressions of sympathy shown to me in my declining years and painful bodily afflictions by the ladies of Wachapreague and Locustmount.

The frequent visits, respectful regards and devout prayers of these dear people for my restoration to health and activity, are very great helps to me in my sufferings.

Last Friday night the following ladies of Wachapreague and Locustmount came through the inclement weather to cheer me by their presence, their gifts, their sweet vocal songs and their prayers: Mrs. Foote, Mrs. Core, Mrs. Lee Phillips, Mrs. George Mears, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. K. Johnson, Mrs. James Heath, Mrs. John Finney, Mrs. James Phillips and others.

The singing service was led by Mrs. Foote. Oh, how inspiring were those songs, how encouraging and uplifting those prayers! May God bless these dear ladies—angels of mercy, and spare and bless their lives for many years to scatter seeds of kindness and good-will among suffering humanity. J. W. A. ELLIOTT.

EDITOR ENTERPRISE—An interesting birthday party was given by Miss Lizzie Beane, aged 5 years, at the M. P. parsonage, Tuesday evening last. About twenty five children of the Sabbath school, ages ranging from 4 to 6 years attended, each bringing some token of kindness. From 7 to 8 they occupied the time in merry sports at 8 they were invited to partake of cream and cake. Gathered about the tables they presented a beautiful picture to the tender heart and appreciative eye. The trouble and pains were well repaid by the mutual happiness of hostess and guests. Several mothers favored us with their company, Mrs. Ella Smith, Maggie Ellis, Tillie Sharpley, Emma Young, Lizzie Collins, Fannie Shane and Flora Young. Music, vocal and instrumental rendered, the hours most pleasantly and profitably enjoyed. Half after nine, and the mamma's marshalled the little ones home, sorry to part, sorry another birthday had gone. Happy hours, sweet memory will linger here. Thanks dear friends. FOR LIZZIE, Greenbackville, Jan. 7th.

Accidentally Shot.

Charles T. Hopkins, aged 15 years, son of Deputy Treasurer Jno. H. Hopkins, was accidentally shot while on a visit to his grand father in Onancock last week. His rifle, which he had left cocked and leaning against a well, was blown down by the wind and discharged when he was about 10 feet distant, the ball from same passing through the fleshy part of one leg into the other leg. The wound is not a serious one.

Smokettes cigars are the best.

Ask your dealer for Smokettes cigar.

F. A. Davis & Co., are wholesale agents for Smokettes.

Try a Smokette and if not satisfied ask for your money.

Smokettes are the greatest nickel cigar on earth.

F. A. Davis & Co., Baltimore, sell Smokette cigars and Bost tobacco.

Chew Boss 11 inch tobacco, the best 11 inch.

If you want quality and quantity chew Boss 11 inch.

Boss 11 inch is boss of the road.

WANTED—Experienced clerk. Send references. H. T. White, Bloomtown Va.

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